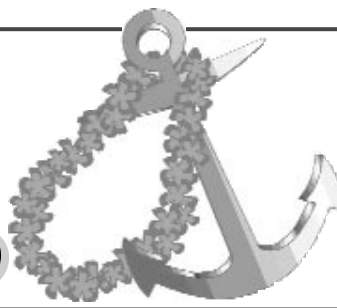


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IN BRIEF

Male suspect posing as doctor

CrimeStoppers and the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) have put out a warning concerning a male suspect who calls families at home posing as a doctor.

The suspect has called homes in the Salt Lake area, telling children that "their parents have directed him to give them a physical today because he is going on vacation." While on the phone, the suspect uses an authoritative voice to direct children to do sexually explicit behaviors and describe the results to him.

Any unusual phone calls can be reported to HPD Detective David Do of the Child Sex Crimes Unit at 529-3055 or anonymously at the CrimeStoppers Hotline at 955-8300.

Use the STAIRS

The U.S. Navy is now using the Standard Automated Inventory and Referral System (STAIRS) to fill civilian job vacancies for GS-15 and below and wage grade positions. STAIRS streamlines the application process by using a commercial software product to produce electronic resumes in place of using SF-171 or OF-612 forms.

Training dates for creating a resume using SRAIRS is as follows: For employees who do not have or use computers at home or work: March 8 and 14, 9-10 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. For employees with computer and web access proficiency: March 15 and 16, also from 9-10 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. All training will be conducted on-board Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

Nimitz Gate to Close

The Pearl Harbor Naval Station Nimitz gate will be closed to incoming traffic on March 11-12 to allow Navy Public Works Center, Pearl Harbor do maintenance on the existing sewerline that runs along South Avenue.

Personnel requiring access to Pearl Harbor will have to use the Makalapa Gate off of Radford Drive.

Work will begin on Saturday, March 11 at 7 a.m. and is scheduled to be completed by Monday, March 13 at 5 a.m.

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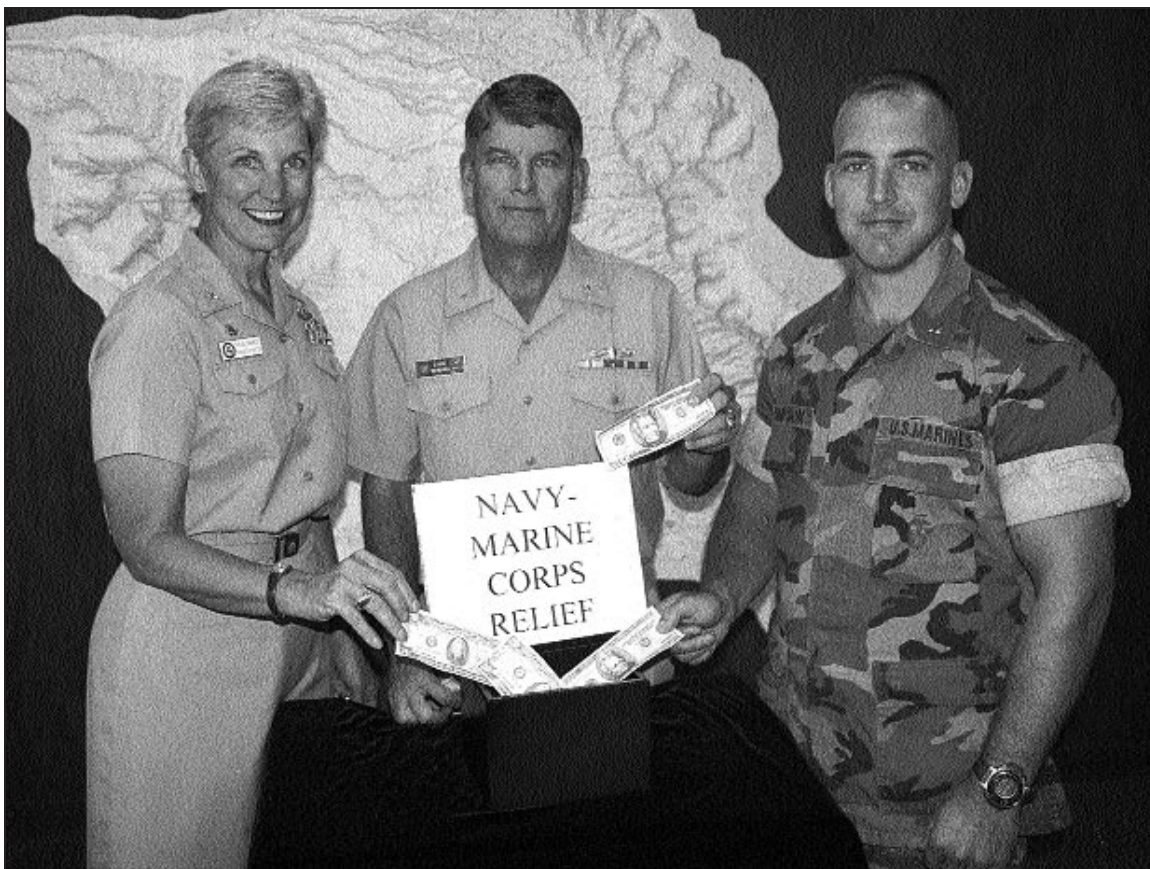


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NMCRS fundraising drive begins



J02 Greg Cleghorne photo

Rear Adm. John W. Townes III, Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific (center) joins Capt. Gigette Caldwell (left), Fleet Industrial Supply Center commanding officer and this year's NMCRS chairperson and Marine Corps CW02 Brian T. Thompson putting money into a NMCRS fund drive collection box during the NMCRS kick-off.

By JOCS(SW) Phil Eggman

NAVY REGION HAWAII

The 2000 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society annual fund drive will be held March 6 through April 7. This year's theme is "At the end of the rainbow when needed."

"NMCRS' principal income is from donations," said Navy Regional Fund Drive Coordinator, Lt.Cmdr. Sue Talwar of Fleet Industrial Supply Center. "Without the contributions made by our Sailors and Marines during the annual fund drive, help would not be 'at the end of the rainbow' when it was really needed by our shipmates."

The 94-year old society has been helping Sailors and their families in Hawaii by providing emergency assistance in times of need. For example, Navy-Marine Corps Relief provided more than \$1.1 million of assistance in 1999 for Sailors and Marines in Hawaii.

Nearly 2,000 Sailors, Marines and their families last year received financial aid in the form of 1,745 interest free loans and 203 grants for emergency transportation, food and shelter, vehicle repairs, funeral expenses, setting up new households and other items.

Additionally, 294 layettes for newborns were provided to Navy and Marine families here in Hawaii last year.

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The way ahead

Navy Region plans consolidation of facilities at Barbers Point

By Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs

Throughout February, Rear Admiral John Townes, Commander Navy Region Hawaii, and his senior Navy leadership, held several meetings with Navy family housing residents living in West Oahu to discuss plans to consolidate support services and facilities.

Actions being taken include closing the Barbers Point Navy Exchange main retail store, closing the Barbers Point Medical and Dental clinics and consolidating services to other facilities in the Pearl Harbor Naval Complex, and consolidating several existing Navy community services into the Barbers Point Kona Breeze. These and other actions are expected to be completed within the next 18 months (for more detailed information, see related stories on page 8).

In a Feb. 16 letter sent to residents of the Barbers Point, Iroquois Point and Puuloa Navy family housing communities, Rear Admiral Townes explained, "Understandably, since the operational closure of NAS Barbers Point on July 2, 1999, there are fewer people using the support facilities at the former base. This, combined with the effects of more than a decade of Navy downsizing and reduced funding for base operating support in the Navy, have forced us to develop alternative plans for providing services more efficiently in the Region.

"As a result, we have carefully planned certain actions that will continue optimizing (not necessarily

'maintaining') our quality of life programs, namely our Oahu Navy Family Housing program, MWR, NEX, and family housing community support," he continued. "This plan consolidates and relocates existing facilities and services at Barbers Point so that we can continue providing the right level of service to you while reducing our operating and maintenance costs."

More than 250 Navy family housing residents attended a Town Hall meeting Feb. 24 at the Iroquois Point Elementary School to hear Rear Adm. Townes brief the plan and discuss the way ahead. Additionally, Commanding Officers and representatives from Naval Magazine Pearl Harbor, Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Public Works Center Pearl Harbor, Naval Medical Clinic Pearl Harbor, Naval Dental Center Pearl Harbor, Navy Family Housing, Navy Exchange, Defense Commissary Agency and the Navy Region Hawaii staff were present to address questions posed by the residents.

The Town Hall meeting was open to all residents living in Barbers Point, Iroquois Point and Puuloa communities and lasted over two hours. Additional one-on-one discussions with concerned Sailors, family members and commanding officers lasted an additional hour. As a result, several follow-on meetings are scheduled to address medical services, pre-school activities and Navy Exchange services.

Similar briefings were conducted earlier in February for members of the Region's Shore Executive Board,



PH2 Chad McNeely photo

More than 250 Navy family housing residents attended a Town Hall meeting Feb. 24 at the Iroquois Point Elementary School to hear Rear Adm. John W. Townes III, Commander, Navy Region Hawaii, brief the plan and discuss the way ahead.

Command Master Chiefs, area Ombudsmen, senior officer and enlisted residents living in West Oahu, and officials from the Barbers Point, Iroquois Point and Puuloa Navy

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Related stories regarding Barbers Point ConsolidationA-8

Hollywood seeks extras to film 'Pearl Harbor'

By Cmdr. Bruce Cole

CINPACFLT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Big Ship Productions is looking for extras to portray Sailors and other persons of the World War II period for the film "Pearl Harbor" from April 4 through May 10 on Oahu.

Extras casting for the film will take place at Naval Base Pearl Harbor on March 9, 10, and 11. General casting calls for military, DoD civilians and family members will take place at Naval Base Pearl Harbor's Marina Restaurant from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Director

Michael Bay ("Armageddon" and "The Rock") will look for men ages 17-40, women 20-40, and girls and boys 8-12. Potential extras will be photographed and complete a brief information sheet.

It is highly preferred that military and DoD civilians with last names starting with A through M attend the casting call on March 9, N through Z on March 10, and family members on March 11.

Casting is open to all service-members, family members, and DoD civilians. All service members and DoD civilians volunteering must have command approval, be in a leave status and, if selected, may

need the flexibility and desire to spend anywhere from several days to a couple of weeks filming the required scenes. Extras should anticipate a long workday and be aware that production days often exceed 12 hours. Extras will be paid for their work and will be fed during the days they work. The production company will have a six day work week with Fridays being the off day.

The Department of Defense has given its approval for military assistance in production of the film. Military leaders expect "Pearl Harbor" will make the events of December 7, 1941 a lasting memory to those who died during the air

raid. They also see the movie as a great opportunity to educate a whole new generation of Americans about an important period in their nation's history.

The Marina Restaurant is located under the Ford Island Bridge and is accessible off Kamehameha Highway via Arizona Memorial Place. All personnel attending should arrive in the uniform of the day or appropriate civilian attire.

To remain updated on the opportunity for military and DoD people and their families to participate as extras, an informational recording is available at 471-9382.